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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Charles Weissmann
Application No. : 08/487,280
Confirmation No. : 7534
Filed : June 7, 1995
For : DNA SEQUENCES, RECOMBINANT DNA
MOLECULES AND PROCESSES FOR PRODUCING
HUMAN INTERFERON-LIKE POLYPEPTIDES
Group Art Unit : 1631
Examiner : James Martinell

New York, New York
July 15, 2003

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the January 16, 2003 Office Action in the above-identified application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicant has petitioned concurrently herewith for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action. With the extension, a